

REMARKS

Claims 19, 21, 22, 29, 31, 33, 35 and 40-48 are pending in this application.

Examiner Interview of October 7, 2009

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Saha for the helpful and courteous telephone interview conducted on October 7, 2009.

During the telephone interview, Applicants' representatives and the Examiner discussed the amendment to claim 19, herein presented. The Examiner requested such an amendment and informed Applicants' representatives that the amendment is supported by the as-originally filed specification because the specification is silent as to chromatography as a separation method.

As a result of Examiner's helpful comments, Applicants herein amend claim 19 as proposed by the Examiner.

Priority Document JP2003-349911

Applicants herein submit a verified English language translation of the foreign priority document JP 2003-349911.

For at least the foregoing reasons, the claimed invention is patentable subject matter. Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner deem that any further action by applicant would be desirable to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicant's undersigned attorney.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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